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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No.: 09/839,649
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A TEST COMPOUND

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

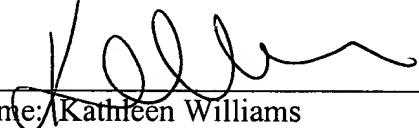
Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of three (3) month(s) to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2003 from September 27, 2003, up to and including December 27, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, enclosed is the requisite extension fee of \$475.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 22620/1222. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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